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John BARANOWSKI) Group Art Unit: 3651
Application Number: 10/601,669) Examiner: Not yet assigned
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DISPENSING ITEMS)

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

Commissioner of Patents
U.S. Patent and Trademark Office
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98, and in compliance with the duty of disclosure set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicant is submitting herewith copies of the references listed on the attached Form PTO-1449 (modified) for consideration and to be made of record by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office (PTO) in the above-captioned patent application.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider these references and that the Examiner indicate that the enclosed references have been considered in this application by returning a copy of the Form PTO-1449 with the Examiner's initials in the left column per MPEP 609.

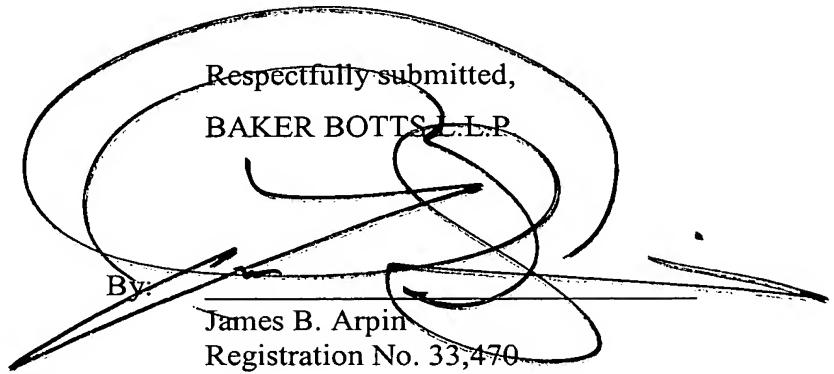
Applicant also wishes to bring to the Examiner's attention, the following co-pending patent application:

U.S. Patent Application No. 10/601,675, filed on June 24, 2003.

Applicant is enclosing a copy of this application. In accordance with MPEP 609, Sections C(2) and D (Pages 600-132-133) Rev. 1, Aug. 2001, (Ver. VIII), Applicant has not listed this co-pending application on the accompanying Form PTO-1449. Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner indicate that this application has been considered by writing "all considered" on this Information Disclosure Statement.

The attached documents were cited by the European Patent Office (EPO) in a International Search Report mailed October 6, 2003, in a counterpart application, Int'l Appl'n

No. PCT/US03/19731. The relevance of each of the documents cited in the ISR is indicated in the enclosed copy of the ISR. In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b), Applicant believes that this Information Disclosure Statement is submitted prior to issuance of a first Office Action on the merits. Therefore, no fees are believed due as a result of this submission. However, in the event of any variance between the fees determined by Applicant and those determined by the PTO, please charge any such variance to undersigned's Deposit Account No. 02-0375.



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